

County of Fairfax, Virginia

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME CANVASS

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Police are trying to locate the mother of a newborn baby left outside of the Saint Raymond of Penafort Catholic Church on Sunday, November 14. A parishioner at the church saw a hot pink colored duffel bag in the parking lot, retrieved it and found a newborn baby girl inside. The baby was taken inside the church and cared for until help arrived. Rescue then transported the baby to Inova Fairfax Hospital.

Detectives have determined the baby was left outside for a short time before she was found. She is reported to be in good condition and is expected to be released shortly. Doctors believe the baby may be of Hispanic descent. They believe she may have been born between midnight and 6 a.m. and appears to be full-term.

Detectives know this baby was not delivered in a hospital and they are concerned for the health of the mother. If anyone feels they know who the mother is, they are asked to call police at 703-691-2131 or contact Crime Solvers by phone at 1-866-411-TIPS/8477, e-mail at www.fairfaxcrimesolvers.org or text "TIP187" plus your message to CRIMES/274637.

Detectives do not know who left the baby at the church. If anyone saw a person or vehicle in or around that parking lot in the early hours of Sunday morning they are asked to contact police as well. You are encouraged to contact police if you have any information regarding this incident.

Remember, the information you have, regardless of how trivial you feel it may be, could be the critical link in locating the mother of this unidentified child.

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Photograph of bag that contained newborn baby.





